

## REMARKS

Status of the Application

Claims 2-26 are pending in this application. In the September 15, 2004 office action, the Examiner:

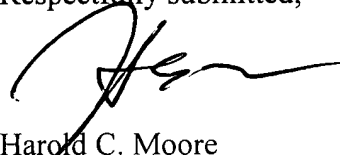
1. Required the Applicant to elect prosecution of a single claimed Species, whereby claims 2-22 formed Species 1 and claims 23-26 formed Species 2.

In this response, Applicants have elected Species 1.

Conclusion

Applicants respectfully submit that claims 2-22, which constitute Species 1, are allowable over the prior art. Favorable consideration and allowance of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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